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In re application of: Shogo ISHIOKA et al. Group Art Unit: 2858
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Date: December 30, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2003 for 3 month(s) from October 30, 2003 to December 30, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$410.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-866.

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